

Dear Sir/Madam:

Thank you for holding this hearing today for Proposed Bill Number 648.

I am in support of Bill Number 648 to provide funding for case management services at Victory Gardens, a supportive project for homeless Veterans and families at the U.S.A. Department of Veterans Affairs Newington Campus.

Victory Gardens will provide homeless Veterans a new start in new permanent housing apartments and townhouses with support services by Chrysalis Center, Inc. Chrysalis Center, Inc. has provided supportive case management to homeless individuals for 18 years with great success.


Your support of Bill Number 648 will ensure the vital support services dollars are in place for the Veterans at Victory Gardens.

As a person who has been receiving services at Chrysalis center for 33 years, attending hearings and testifying on behalf of my peers, I truly believe in our cause to aid the veterans in beneficial supportive housing.

33 years ago, immediately after getting out of the hospital, Chrysalis Center turned my life around by finding me an apartment on Laurel Street where I lived miraculously independently. 33 years later I am still benefiting from their invaluable services. Without the Chrysalis center there to empower me with hope and creative energy, I wonder if I would be as accomplished and fulfilled as a person, advocate and artist as I am now.

Thank you and please support Bill Number 648

Signed:

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is on the left and the second is on the right, separated by a small space.